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Read at the funeral services, at Roxbury, Mass., Wednesday, May 28:

The storm and peril overpast,
The bounding hatred shamed and still,
Go, Soul of Freedom! take at last
The place which thou alone canst fill.

Go up and on! thy day well done,
Thy morning promise well fulfilled.
Arise to triumphs yet unwon,
To holier tasks that God has willed.

Go leave behind thee all that mars
The work below of man for man;
With the white legions of the stars
Do service such as angels can.

Wherever wrong shall right deny,
Or suffering spirits urge their plea,
Be thine a voice to smite the lie,
A hand to set the captive free.

—J. G. WHITTIER.

WHAT SHALL WE READ?

By Miss Sarah C. Lewis.

AN ESSAY READ AT THE GRADUATING EXERCISES OF THE PREPARATORY HIGH SCHOOL AT SUMNER BUILDING, THURSDAY, JUNE 5TH.

At this time when the world is flooded with literature, much of which is of a character calculated to lead those who indulge in a fondness for it, into error, it is highly necessary that we ask ourselves the question, what shall we read?" Bacon says, "reading maketh the full man."

It is to the mind what food is to the body. It is, therefore, important that we select such matter as will contribute to our mental culture and growth. This does not depend so much upon the quantity as upon the quality of it. Since we would be loth to abuse a living friend or benefactor, we ought not to abuse a book.

The Chinese have a reverence for even the slightest scrap of written or printed paper and would consider an injury to a book, if not a crime, at least as a sign of moral depravity.

To prove beneficial, our reading should be systematic. The Bible, 'the book of books" should be our first and continued companion. To read this diligently and with a desire to conform to its principles, will make us "wise unto salvation." This book—the oldest offspring of the human intellect, the chosen companion of the Prophets, Apostles and of the wisest and best men that ever lived—reveals to us the character and will of our Great Creator; it opens to us the way of salvation and unveils to our vision, the invisible world. This book which God has given to teach us our character, our duty and our prospects, ought surely to be held by us in the highest place of honor; to be made the guide of our youth; the companion of our age, and our support in all the prosperous or trying passages of of life. History should claim a large share of our attention. Lord Bolingbroke says, "to converse with historians is to keep good company." To read of the great and good deeds of those of other times will assist in moulding our characters. We are also taught the painful truth, that the great are not always the good.

A few novels may be read with benefit, and the works of such authors as Bulwer, Dickens, Thackaray and Sir Walter Scott will afford a pleasing and instructive variety. Next in interest to history and often superior to it, is the study of biography. It is interesting because we are enabled to find out the true greatness and energy of one's character, as well as many other virtues. Also we are enabled to ascertain both sides of a man's life. There are examples too numerous to be mentioned where the character of a man in private life is very different from his public one. As in the case of the infamous Atterbury, viewed from a political standpoint, we find his conduct disingenuous, if not treacherous in the highest degree. In his private life, his deportment is all that may be desired, being far more attractive and respectable, than many whose public career had been far more acceptable to the world.

Poetry is naturally a favorite reading, especially for young ladies, and should be read more for a recreation, since we do not find it generally containing those strengthening qualities which the mind requires.

The poet "saith, Sir P. Sidney, doeth give you a cluster of grapes that full of their taste you may long to pass further." Your course of reading should also comprise the annals of painting, sculpture and architecture; because it is said, that genius has never displayed itself more gloriously than in these departments.

Architecture in its various forms is worthy of attention. It is true that the fine arts are not natural to our country, but it may not always be our lot to stay at home; we may perhaps be lead to the older continents and by reading of them, we can learn something that may benefit us. Mental philosophy should claim a high rank among our studies, because it leads to self-knowledge which is one of the direct ways to wisdom. We are enabled to ascertain the different powers of the mind, the office of each and how to guard against injury.

The way to strengthen the memory is not to commit page after page, but read carefully and observantly, giving a second thought and gathering in every link of the chain, as it were, then give it utterance in noble language. In this way both the understanding and memory are exercised at the same time and the mind is not so much advanced by one faculty as by the united action of them all.

The office of memory is three fold. Its first office is to receive knowledge; its second, to retain it; its third and last, to bring it forth when needed. Daily intercourse with cultured minds is the best way to polish the gems of knowledge. When the duties of the day become irksome, the reading of some good book will rest you; if we are out of spirit, the melody of the poet will soothe us.

Books tranquilize our passions, assuage our sorrows, moderate anxieties, give interest to our idle hours, refine our manners and awaken desire for knowledge.

"Some books," says Lord Bacon, "are to be tasted, others to be swallowed and some few to be chewed and digested." We should contract the habit of attentive, reflective reading. When once acquired it will afford through life an increasing mental growth.

Youth is at all periods the time acquire this habit. Another object of reading is to form the style. As by associating with persons of culture and refinement, we acquire perfection in manners, so by reading the best writers we attain the art of good writing.

We have spoken of many advantages to be gained from reading; but how are we to read without books? In all this great city, full of many philanthropic and charitable institutions, with its magnificent school houses and yet not a single library for the benefit of many thousands of children gathered within them. What wonder that dime novels and illustrated weeklies form their mental food!

The complaint is frequently heard, that the young people do not read, or that they read trash. How could it well be otherwise? If good books are not furnished, bad will be found; but is the complaint just? Give us a library, O ye powers that be; prove us therewith and see if we will not eargerly, even greedily devour the mental feast to be found therein. What a world is the book world! What illustrious company does it offer for the gratification of our social and spiritual instincts. The great, the brave, the self-sacrificing, the oppressed and their deliverers, the instructors, the benefactors of mankind in all ages live again in books and reveal to us what were the thoughts and motives of their secret lives, what was the secret source of endeavor, never slacking till the goal was won.

Milton says, "As good almost kill a man as kill a good book. He who kills a man kills a reasonable creature; God's image, but he who destroys a good book, kills reason itself; kills image of God, as it were in the eye.

Books as we know
Are a substantial world,
Round these with tendrils
Strong as flesh and blood
Our pastime and our happiness will grow.

SARAH C. LEWIS.

The Virginia Baptist's Bid for the Negro.

Not, however, until the late Baptist Convention, which assembled at Charlottesville last week, were the most efficient steps to firmly and everlastingly secure the Negro as an integral part of a great denomination.

A committee upon "Relations with Colored Baptists," had been appointed, of which the Rev. E. W. Warren was chairman, and a report from it was read by the Rev. Attorney General James G. Field, which report, for cleverness, for comprehensiveness and effect, has really been excelled in all history, sacred or profane. In that report the "great importance of the subject" is recognized, and the sincere and true belief is put forth that "the colored Baptists of the State constitute an important part of Zion" (whatever that may mean), and a recommendation that the most fraternal and cordial relations be cultivated and perpetuated between the two branches of the Baptist Church.

It is recommended, too, that corresponding delegates be invited from the Colored Baptist Convention to be present at the regular convention of the Baptist Church, and that seats be assigned them in that august body. All this was flattering to the vanity of the colored brother, and was well calculated to draw his attention from the glamour of Bishop Keane's slendid service.

But this is not all. With a cleverness that would redeem an situation, however unfortunate; with a skill that could come only from the most intimate acquaintance with the science of logic and the peculiarities of the African's physical propensities, the most attractive part of the bid for his favor is left to the last. In the latter part of the report it is suggested that "suitable provision be made for the hospitable and appropriate entertainment of said delegates during the session of the Association."

This is, in vulgar parlance, a "clincher." The Bishop and Rome will have to "see them and go one better!" To be allowed to sit as a corresponding delegate; to be assigned a regular seat on the floor of the Association; to be hospitably entertained; to be allowed a fair show of parson's chicken and sleep in a regular person's featherbed! Glory Hallelujah!—To be *hospitably* entertained; to sit down at a *hospitable table* with their other bretbren; be sheltered and fed as the rest; to be *kindly, generously, and liberally entertained*—for such is the meaning of a hospitable reception! Why, the Bishop is out of sight and the Attorney General is far in the advance. The colored brother is won, and Zion is safe.

A Colored Convention.

[From the Baptist Journal, Dallas Texas.]

Hon. Richard Allen, of Houston, has, by request of a large number of colored gentlemen from various sections of the State, issued a call for a colored convention or conference, to meet at Houston, July 1st., 1879. The object of the meeting is to consider the questions of the migrational, educational, political, civil, religious, moral and material interests of the colored people of the State. He advises that our best men be sent, and not more than ten delegates from a county.

We encourage the movement, and hope that the people will rally to the call.

Cases for Special Prayer

[From the Colored Citizen, Topeka Kas.]

Now that the colored National Conference is over, we hope Dr. Tanner will get his ministerial Conference project to booming.

We say by all means, let the able colored ministers of the country get together and work upon their white brother ministers and thoroughly arouse the Christian sentiment of the country and then we may hope to see a better day for the black people of the land.

We have one white minister in our city, for whom we want to ask the special prayers of the Conference when it assembles. He is so full of the spirit of Christ, that he said recently, that he would'nt allow a black man to speak in his church on any subject. We want him prayed for and perchance the good Lord might convert him, and thereby save him Let the conference be called.

Gratifying Progress.

[From the Nashville Pilot]

We learn that the public colored schools in St. Louis have exhibited gratifying progress this year, The marked increase of efficiency is attributed to the fact of all the teachers being colored and consequently fully identified socially with their pupils; thereby affording them all the facilities that are afforded white pupils. Colored people forced to have separate schools and forced to have white teachers are not and can not be on equal footing with the whites if they are said to be equal before the law. We hope yet to see Nashville in the same condition as St, Louis and other cities ere long. The common school and farm work are surer sources than any other open to us, they should be steadily and energetically pursued by all our people in all parts of our common country. Our motto should be peacefully and quietly, do our own work' do all we can for ourselves and trust in Providence for the result.

IN MEMORY OF PINKEY LUCAS.

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Little Robert Pinkey Lucas, son of George and Louisa Lucas, died January 31, and was buried from Asbury M. E. Church on Monday, February 3, 1879.

Our loss was great. Heaven alone can make amends. Our precious child was in the 7th year of his age at the time the Lord took him; and like the flowers of early spring sending forth their bloom, he was just blooming into life with loveliness and joy. Our only child he was our idol and treasure.

He was sick nine days, and through it all was patient and contented. The language he used would more become an adult than a child. Said he to his grandfather, "Pray for me and sing for me." The hymn, O how happy are they, who the Saviour obey, was sung, and the little soul was made to rejoice. The pray was offered, and he joined in the earnest appeals that were offered to him who hears the faiteful prayer of the righteous.

He was sensible of every change in his condition. He gave out the hymn, "The angels are hovering round," and requested us to sing it, and joined in the song so beautifully of his condition, and said Mother don't cry, for Jesus is walking through the valley of death with me; I am not afraid to go alone with Jesus, as I have on the wedding garment. I would rather go to heaven out of this wicked world. "Mother," said he, 'Give my playthings to whoever you desire to have them."

Grand Ma' will not have Pinkey any more to stay with her, for I am going to join my little brother Nathan in Heaven.' 'Papa! Tell Papa to meet me in Heaven, Jesus is with me. I want to be by myself with Jesus. Safe with Jesus in the valley."

He whispered to the last. "Come Jesus, Come Jesus, Jesus, Jesus," and passed away from us to the arms of the Saviour. Oh our child died so happy, he talked so beautiful; We shall see him again, is the hope that cheers his sorrowing parents.

"Death may the bands of life unloose,
But can't dissolve our Love."

THE PATRIOTIC DEAD.

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At half past ten o'clock this morning the steamer N. P. Banks arrived here from Norfolk with two Posts of the Grand Army of the Republic, Calhoux Post No. 2, and Shaw Post No. 5, accompanied by 400 pilgrims en route for the Cemetery at this place After disembarking the Posts under command of Comrade Commander Teemer, of Calhoux Post, formed in line headed by four buglers (white) from the Artillery School at Fortress Monroe and a drum corps from Norfolk, and marched to the Baptist church in front of the Cemetery, very kindly tendered to them by Mr. Cheeseman, where the following exercises were observed:

Singing	Norfolk Choristers, J. B. Towe, Director
Song	My Country 'tis of Thee
Prayer	Rev. Wm Lewis
Introductory Remarks	Col. J. T. Wilson
Song	We Love the Heroes — Choristers
Reading of Poem	Maid of Olustee... Miss S. A. Davis
Song	The Battle Strife is Ended — Choristers
Oration	Rev. B. F. Lloyd
Song	The Soldier's Grave — Choristers
Prayer	Rev. R. Spiller
Doxology	Choristers
Benediction	Rev. D. King

The church was crowded to its utmost capacity—hundreds of people from Williamsburg and the adjacent neighborhood were on the ground, and their conduct was that of a people attending a funeral. There was absence of that levity which, on several memorial occasions at the Cemetery near Hampton Normal School, marred the solemnity of the exercises. The flags at the Custom House and National Cemetery were at half mast and the scene bore the aspect of a Sabbath day. Col. Wilson introduced the orator of the day in a becoming manner and speech, and impressed upon the throng the necessity of dedicating themselves anew to the cause of religious liberty. Speaking of the duty of the Negro race to their Union dead he said, "It seems to me that one very important duty left us, not as comrades of the grand army but as a race, and one which should be discharged speedily and with pleasure—with the sole exception of a stone erected at City Point by General Butler no granite obelisk or monument of brass or of marble raises its head heavenward to commemorate the patriotism and loyalty of the 200,000 Negro soldiers who formed in the Union army-freedom's phalanx, beside the simple slab placed at the head of every soldier who fell in that struggle. There is nothing to remind us of the valor of the 30,000 Negroes who died in the defense of the liberty we now enjoy." The oration was one continuous flow of eloquence. Mr. Lloyd closed with a stirring appeal for the education of the young which means a proper appreciation of their fathers' record will be kept. The original poem by Miss Davis was read by her in a pathetic and charming manner. It was an appropriate ode and portrayed the heroic qualities of woman in battle as well as in ceremony. Miss Davis is an excellent reader and quite sustained her reputation. The exercises at the church closed with music under direction of Mr. Towe The Posts re-formed left in front and marched to the Cemetery where they were met by Lt. Schierley, and with the solemn bray of bugles marched through the broad avennes of city of the martyred dead and there strewed flowers upon the graves of the Union dead.

Our thanks are due comrade R. G. Griffin, Hon J. B. Mitchell, Collector of the Port, also Hon. Rob't and D. M. Norton, of the legislature, for the attentions shown. At 4 o'clock the Posts and Pilgrims re-embarked for their homes at Norfolk,

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We call the attention of our readers to the official proceedings of the NATIONAL CONFERENCE in press. They will be ready for mailing next week. As there will be quite a demand for them from all parts of the country, we would urge upon all the importance of sending in their orders with the cash at once. The first to come will be served first. Cash must accompany the orders. The pamphlets are twenty-five cents each or twenty-five copies for $5.00.

The last report of the Auditor of Kentucky gives some interesting figures in regard to the financial condition of the colored population of that state, who number about 250, 000. They own 181, 139 acres of land, valued at $1,275,300; 5,995 town lots valued at $1,288,155, and stock personal property of a taxable sort worth $666,445. This includes $7,992 in carriages and $6,082 in watches. The total taxable valuation of property held by colored persons in Kentucky is, therefore, $3,306,337, which, supposing assessments to be on the basis of sixty cents on the dollar, will give an actual property held by them of over $4,500, 000—*The, Sun.*

The Knights of Wise Men, (Nashville, Tenn.) occupies a field hitherto neglected. It is the organ of a new organization of colored men, based on the principles of the Knights of Honor and the Royal Arcanum. The methods of such organizations must commend themselves as being far in advance of the present heterogenous class of benevolent organizations and more economical than the general plan of insurance. Success to our confrere and success to its organization!

Marshal Douglass has modified his views on the exodus movement. While still opposed to a wholesale migration and to Senator Windom's scheme, he sees wherein good to the cause will result from the voluntary movement to Kansas and other Western points of thousands of our people. We take special pleasure in making this announcement. That it is a sincere change of heart, we have every reason to believe, and now no one will be more eloquent in defence of the persecuted fleeing refugees, than the same Frederick Douglass. Now Senator Bruce, let's have a word from you?

The report of the illness of Minister Langston with yellow fever will carry sadness to many a heart. The prayers of a million souls go heavenward for him.

In the death of Wm. Keeling, of Norfolk, the race sustains a great loss. He was one of the first to rise to a worthy leadership after the capture of Norfolk in 1862. We well remember his visit North in 1863 and the speech he made in Philadelphia, concluding tous: "If things are to remain as they are, give me the Old Boy State, but if radical changes must take place give me the Old Dominion."

There was a memorial meeting at Bethel Church, Philadelphia, Thursday night in honor of William Lloyd Garrison. William Still, presided, Bishop Campbell and W. C. Banton conducted the devotional exercises. Addresses were delivered by Bishops Payne and Clinton, Revs. W. H. Furness, D. D., J. B. Reever, H. H. Lewis, T. G. Stewart, A. J. Knight Wm. L. Pierce, Robert Parvis, A. H. Love and Isaiah C. Wears.

Volume 1, No. I, of the *Popular Era*, "a journal of progress and organ of the colored people," has reached our office. This paper is a weekly issue, and published at Detroit, Michigan by Albert Swaine, manager. We gladly welcome it to the list of our exchanges. predicting and hoping for its permanent success in the journalistic field.

The *Laborer's Criterion*, (Richmond, Va.,) throws its banner to the breeze. It is edited by W. J. S. Bowe and R. Hewlett is the manager. It has a wide field before it, and if the gentlemen at the head of it possess that fitness and persistence which they fail to see in others, they will achieve a tremendous success; but they will find after they have got down to hard pan that it is far easier to build up one *paper already existing* than to construct a new one. Experience, we trust will be a profitable lesson to them.

A REBUKE.

The essay of Miss Lewis found on our first page closed with a stinging rebuke to the trustees of our colored schools for their utter failure to make ample provision for the intellectual needs of those intrusted to their care, and of whose educational interests they seem to consider themselves by divine right the sole guardians, beyond both the reach of criticism or friendly suggestion. Nearly three years ago the ADVOCATE called public attention to the need of a school library for the use of the pupils of the advanced grades. The matter was treated with seeming indifference, until after much delay we were politely informed that our ideas were too narrow; a library for the *teachers* of the public schools would be provided. The heads of great publishing houses of the country were entreated, and the generosity of the public appealed to, the result was the collection of a library of several hundred volumes, a library freighted with some of the choicest literature of the language, embracing works of the most advanced thinkers of the age. It was more remarkable for the care with which works of this character had been secured or contributed than for those suited by taste to the requirements of the average teacher. It was true the teacher is able to procure her own library while the pupils are not; but as the effort was the result of a liberality of sentiment not every day manifested, we applauded the action of the Board and regarded it as the precursor of better days, yet notwithstanding this, revival of letters and that for some months the books were duly appreciated, for this entire scholastic year the cases have been closed, and the handsome books remain to do ornamental duty and impose upon the too credulous visitor.

How fitting then that the Salutatorian at the recent commencement, unconsciously no doubt, should summon a series of reflections upon the mismanagement of the library.

Explanations are in order, but the cry of the young still rings on the ear, "O ye powers that be, give us &c."

May that cry pierce the heart and open wide the doors of that collection, which public and private liberality so willingly contributed with the impression that it was for use rather than for ornament!

EDUCATIONAL.

Thursday night a few persons interested in the higher education of colored youth, met at St. John's P. E. Church. Dr. A. Crummell, who presided, stated the object of the meeting to be in the interest of a high school for boys, to be opened in Baltimore in the autumn. Rev. Cranston, of Brown University and the General Theological Seminary of the Episcopal Church, explained in detail, the immediate purpose of the school. Rev. C. B. Perry in supplementing the remarks of the previous speaker, called attention to the fact that there were representative colored men without culture, but with native ability, those with training but no character, but few, very few, with that broad training and character which fitted them for successful leadership. Again: colored young men who have entered college had not previous training which the average white candidate possesses, and, therefore, if the same results are not given, the fault should be attributed to this lack of previous preparation. With such preparation, a fair opportunity of testing the capacity of the race for high scholarship would be afforded. Senator Bruce was called on, but he simply said that the enterprise met with his cordial support. Prof. Greener was next called on. He appreciated the force of Mr. Perry's utterances as to the lack on the part of colored youth of that thorough academic training necessary to enter colleges and maintain a respectable standing in them. His own experience had taught him much in this regard. Although second rate ability seems to pay best in these days, he was firmly convinced of the absolute necessity for a school of this character now. Mr. Perry expressed his thanks for the warm sentiments of approval and the meeting was dismissed.

For further information, parties can address: Rev. C. B. PERRY,
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PERSONAL.

Among the excursionists from the Keystone State here Wednesday, was James L. Smallwood, of York, class and seat mate of the proprietor, at the Institute for Colored Youth, Philadelphia, Pa. Since their graduation in 1864, these friends have met but once, and then over the grave of their former teacher, Mr. O. V. Catto, who was murdered in 1871.

—F. L. Barnett, late of the *Conservator* has just been appointed a notary public in Chicago.

—Col. Lewis, of Louisiana is still here at the Philadelphia House. The sight of the Col. is always a pleasant one, and just now it is suggestive.

—Among the gentlemen appointed as the vestry of St. Phillips P. E. Church, New Orleans, we find the names of J. D. Kennedy and Hon. P. B. S. Pinchback.

—Mr. Henry Johnson has been appointed trustee of Public Schools. The appointment is an highly deserving one, and seems to meet with universal approbation. From present indications, we are forced to believe that Mr. Johnson is the most popular member of the sub-board. We know he is not wanting in energy, perseverance and industry.

—Rev. S. P. Smith who has just graduated at Chicago, passed through here this week en route to Marietta, Ga. Simon looks well.

—Rev. Hugh M. Brown come here quite often. We all like to see him; but it is quite notable after a while that his visits will not be as frequent.

PHILADELPHIA NOTES.

BY C. HOWARD JOHNSON.

LINCOLN UNIVERSITY ALUMNI.

The annual meeting of the Alumni was held in Philadelphia, June 5, 1879.

MORNING MEETING.

The morning meeting was held in Lombard Street Central Church. The meeting was called to order at 10 a. m. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Rev. J. S. Thompson, president; S. P. Hood, vice-president; W. W. Still, secretary; F. C. Potter, assistant secretary; Rev. W. M. Hargrave, treasurer; Rev. W. Dickenson, E. W. Hollensworth, Jas. U. Price, W. C. Brown and L. Miller, board of managers. This being the first meeting held, the steps taken by the Alumni will be watched with much interest. The annual orator selected for next year is Rev. W. M. Hargrave; special essayist, Rev. D. Morgan, subject—"English Literature;" the other appointments rest with the board. The next meeting will be held in this city on Tuesday succeeding the commencement in June, 1880. After the meeting Mr. W. W. Still invited members and graduates and representatives of the *Christian Recorder*, *Sunday Press* and PEOPLE'S ADVOCATE to a collation in the room below. This was in charge of the ladies of the church among whom were Mrs. Dr. Wiley, Madams Trout, Ames, Wood, Potter and the Misses R. Armstead, H. Potter, M. Newsome, F. Sommerville Main and many others. The table was bountifully spread and creditable to the ladies.

AFTERNOON MEETING.

The afternoon meeting was held at North Broad Street Church and consisted of prayer, and singing by double quartette. The first speaker was R. B. Johns, of New Jersey, who delivered the annual address, which was followed by singing; next speaker, Mr. John Savage, of Liberia, subject—"A Plea for Africa," followed by N. F. Mossell, of New York, subject—"Be Sure You're Right," with more music; followed by Jos. C. Price, of North Carolina, subject—"The Outlook," again singing. The meeting was closed by benediction, after which the Alumni gave a vote of thanks to Pastor Rev. Harper, D. D., and trustees, also to Mrs. Harper for decoration and to the organist for services.

EVENING MEETING.

The evening meeting was held at Lombard Street Central Church, and was opened with prayer by Dr. Rendell and singing by quartette. The first speaker was Joshua Harris, of Penn., subject—"Philosophy in Our Colleges," followed by singing; next speaker was Wm. C. Brown, subject—"Liberal Education," followed by singing; Mr. Jos. C. Price repeated, by request, his speech of afternoon; next speaker was Solomon P. Hood, of Penn., subject—"Is the Race Deserving of Support." Mr. Hood was the best speaker of the evening. The closing address was made by W. H. Goler, of Nova Scotia, followed by singing and benediction. The audience then repaired to the room below, where refreshments were for sale. The day was one of enjoyment and profit.

A grand musical and literary entertainment was given by the Shiloh Sunday School on Thursday, June 5th, at the church. Notwithstanding the bad weather there was a large audience present. It was repeated on Tuesday to a small audience.

On Sunday night last there were six persons who joined Central Presbyterian Church. They were Misses Emily A. Butler, Laura West, Scott, the Misses Tranks and Mr. Elwood Irwin, of Baltimore.

A grand strawberry festival was held three nights beginning on the 4th at Allen Chapel. On Friday night, to break the monotony of the evening, Rev. Theo. Gould introduced Mr. Johns, of Liberia, who spoke a few minutes. He has been a student of Lincoln University and intends to return to Liberia to aid his people.

Sunday last the Union Commandery, No. 1, of Grand Order of Knights Templars had their annual sermon preached to them at Allen Chapel by the Rev. James A. Handy, of Baltimore, M'd. His text was from Isaiah 40th chapter, 4th and 5th verses. Brother Handy gave a description of the Order from its earliest date to the present time.

On account of the weather the Re-union at St. Thomas Church was postponed from June 5th to June 9th. The attendance was good and the exercises consisted of reading, speaking and singing.

NORFOLK NOTES.

One Spiller, formerly of Lynchburg, and more recently from Washington, D. C., has proved himself a spy and betrayer of a social club into which he was recently admitted by pointing out the caterer of the club to the police and falsely swearing that he was selling liquor without license; this for the purpose of getting an informer's fee of ten dollars. All persons should be warned against this "young blood;" he is worse than Judas, and will sell you at the least amount of profit. We think he should be put on the city detective force with a bell-punch around his neck and report to the Commissioner every month.

The death of Mr. Wm. Keeling, that esteemed gentleman and honored citizen, has caused quite a vacancy in our community.

Several of our hard-shell friends are complaining and openly express their utter disgust at the stale, harsh preaching of their minister. They say the practice of employing ignorant preachers puts them far behind all other churches; they learn nothing and know but little, consequently cannot teach. These warm Sabbaths it is too much of a torture to sit for two hours and listen to a stale, dry, bow-wow from an uneducated, would-be preacher.

On Tuesday last the Virginia Guard, of Lynchburg, visited our city and made an excursion to Old Point and the capes of Virginia.

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OCCASIONAL.

AN INTERCEPTED LETTER.

Washington, D. C., June 6, 1879.

DEAR CORDELIA:

You have been so long absent from this land of yellow fever, political brawls and school trustees (?), that if I did not know of your retentive memory, I would think you had forgotten that the last named plague was still extant. It is even. How long. "O Lord, how long," is the cry that wings its way up from numbers, who are treated with the utmost injustice and the most complete disregard.

You remember your old friend "Pecksniff"? well, he has been summarily removed from the pinnacle of sub-board fame, and "Kennabeck" put in his place.

A wild thought flashed through my brain just now: namely, to attempt a description of this man (?) to give you a sort of mental repast with which to refresh yourself; but with Webster and Worcester before me, I fail to find suitable adjectives for the description: so

I take my paper and my pen,
And only say, "It might have been."

Since neither of the above-mentioned lived to coin a few more descriptive adjectives, I shall not attempt the impossible.

By the way, you and I always disagreed while discussing "Pecksniff"; (we never could dismiss Kenabeck enough), I think you misinterpreted his actions, for he was the only member of the sub-board, who would fight with words, those who attempted to make SLIGHT differences in the management of the "public" and the "Public Colored" Schools under the control of a consolidated board.

I cannot dwell longer on this subject, but will give you my full opinion at some other time. I wish you had been here Friday week in order that you might have attended the closing exercises of the graduates from the high School. The essays were good, most of them were practical, common sense essays.

I am constrained just here to mention a fact: Miss Minor, one of the graduates, wrote an essay entitled 'Whitewashing." She sifted the subject well, and among the varieties mentioned, political whitewashing. The paragraph proved too much for the equanimity of the "Great Mogul" of the board; he immediately ordered the leaving out of the offensive paragraph, fearing that it might offend one of his political friends (?)' forgetting, that some of them, at least, have comprehension enough to understand a good point when they hear it, if against them.

The offensive paragraph was as follows: "The political white-washer of the day drives a thriving trade. Only a few days ago in the halls of Congress, treason and rebellion were held up to the eyes of the public clothed in the garments of loyalty and patriotism."

I thought that it was a very good paragraph and determined to give the intelligent public the benefit of it.

Look the paragraph through carefully, my readers, and if that be defiance of the "powers that be," in the words of the eloquent Patrick Henry, I say, "make the most of it."

It is a burning scathing shame that a person should not be allowed to read every word of her own composition, simply because one person could not understand it in the sense in which it was given. Pardon this digression.

To return to the graduation, the music was good. The Rev. W. J. Waring, addressed the class and had ample opportunity to relieve himself of a few pet ideas on politics &c., in his usual finished style.

The hall was very warm, the audience ditto; so at a quarter past eleven, we were once more completely satisfied with viewing the noble Sumner School from the outside and returned to our respective domiciles.

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Yours.

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—Crowds were at the Calico Party at Mrs. Porter's Tuesday night. Asbury and its pastor will stand by the Industrial School so long as it pursues its present policy. Will other churches do likewise?

—Societies and Churches desiring local notices of their entertainments and other special exercises in order to ensure the same should send complimentary tickets.

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—Elder Anderson has been re-appointed to the pastorship of John Wesley Zion Church.

—The Grand Lodge of F. and A. Masons will celebrate St. John's day on the 26th of June and wind up with a grand picnic at the Schutzen Park. The procession will be under the direction of Leonard C. Bailey, Grand Master.

—In May 1880 the last Convention prior to the National Compact, will be held in this city.

—Those leading Masons throughout the country who have been active in uniting and consolidating the several branches certainly deserve the encomiums of the entire race.

—On Monday, June the 2nd, a magnificent Communion Set was presented to Ebenezer Church by Mount Carmel Club, notwithstanding the rain the church was filled to witness the exercises. Several good addresses were made and after the presentation the guests retired to the lecture room where they had prepared an excellent repast for all.

—The Salem Baptist Sunday School is making preparations to give their second quarterly concert at the 19th Street Baptist Church Sunday, June 29th at 3 o' clock. Order of exercises; recitations, review of the lessons by the the school, explanation of drawings of all the lessons of the quarter by the superintendent and addresses by prominent Sunday School workers.

—Simon's Commandery attended the entertainment given by the ladies of Asbury Church at Lincoln Mission in full uniform. The Commandery looked well. The president of the Club, Mrs. James Smith, in a few well-chosen remarks received the Commandery on behalf of the Club, which were responded to by the Commander. The entertainment continues next week, commencing June the 20th and continuing until the 24th. The entertainment, thus far, is a success.

The Young Men's Christian Association connected with Union Bethel Church, hold out-door meetings every Sabbath afternoon at 5 o'clock; in the square bounded by 20th and 21st and L and M streets, n. w. This particular locality is well adapted to christian worship, and stands greatly in need of the Divine favor and blessing.

Grand Rally at Asbury.

Preaching at 11 a. m., by Rev. Mr. Dansbury of Georgetown, D. C., at 3 p. m., Rev. Mr. Pinckney, of Alexandria, Va., and at 7 p. m., Rev W. Walker, of Ebenezer Church, Capitol Hill. The sum collected during the day amounted to $278. The choir was present and rendered several fine selections of music in its usual plausible manner. Much credit is due the Rev. Mr. Peck for his exertions in relieving the Mission of its burden of debt, which if left to accumulate, would sooner or later reach such dimensions, as would render it exceedingly difficult if not impossible to dispose of it. The improvement on the church which is the next object of consideration, will be attended to at an early day.

Son's of Temperance Convention.

The following gentlemen from the Grand Lodge of Virginia, Sons of Temperance will be delegates to the National Division of North America, will meet here at the Congregational Church 10 a. m.: W. H. L. Combs, William F. Brown, William Isaac Johnson, T. H. Scott, Richmond; J. Cook Nickens and W. H. L. Waters, Leesburg; R. B. Evans, Woodville; Samuel Logan, Manchester; Rev. R. H. Robinson, Frederickburg; Hon. George Teamob, Portsmouth; Rev. G. E. Pritchett, Petersburg, also several visitors will attend from various parts of Virginia.

Banneker.

Meeting of the Banneker Industrial Association next Monday night, at the residence of the president No. 1511 P st. n. w. All members and friends are invited to be present.

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Before leaving the city go to Tophams, No 425 7 st., and examine his stock. See his advertisement in another column.

Georgetown.

The Ebenezer A. M. E. Sunday School of Georgetown D. C., celebrated its 22d. anniversary on Sunday the 8th inst. The church was beautifully decorated with choice flowers pictures, and mottoes. According to arrangements a part of the 19th. st. Baptist Sunday School, and a delegation from the St. Paul A. M. E. Sunday School of South Washington were present. After prayer by Rev. J. P. Shreeves the Supt. (J. C. Beckett,) stated the object of the gathering, viz. the celebration of its 22d. anniversary, then introduced Mr. D. B, Lee, who delivered the welcome address. Miss E. Grimes recited an original Poem entitled The Seven Plagues of Egypt, which won the applause of many present; after which Mr. J. W. Cromwell delivered the annual address, in which he reviewed the history of Sunday School generally, from the time of the first organization down to the present time. He was followed by Mr. J. F. Waters by an original poem dedicated to the school; Mr. Cato Ward was then introduced and after a short and appropriate little speech called for contributions which was readily acceded and in a few minutes, the school was presented to a handsome little sum. The singing rendered by the 19th. st. and the Ebenezer shool showed marks of culture and taste.

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A Visit to Sunday Schools.

Several weeks ago finding myself unemployed on Sunday morning the first time for many years, I began to visit the various Sunday Schools of the District, thinking I might be benefited thereby and be better able to help on the work when again in the harness; and thinking some of the readers of the ADVOCATE might care to look with me, I give you the benefit of what I saw. I found myself last Sunday, first, in Zion Baptist School, situated on F between 3d and 4½ streets s. w. I arrived just after the school had been fairly opened and stepped to the front that I might get a good look at the large school I found collected. The superintendent tapped the bell, and a class moved off from the lower floor to the gallery; another tap, and another class moved to the same place. I thought this was only the infant classes but found the tapping continued until the classes had all changed places occupying different parts of the large room so that no class was within disturbing distance of one another; so soon as this was over the superintendent, for he was the only person who had not charge of a class, began noting in a small book. I found this book contained the names of the officers and teachers of the school and that he was taking account of their attendance. By this time all were busy at work instructing their classes and the superintendent was at leisure to give any information desired, which he did, referring to his "little book" which he had just closed for names of officers and had the other in memory. The officers of the school are Albert K. Manning, superintendent; Miss Maria L. Brown, assistant superintendent; Miss Letitia Whales, secretary; Stephen Y. Minor, assistant secretary; Herbert E. Brown, treasurer; Samuel S. Hunt, librarian; Miss Maggie Johnson, assistant librarian; Mr. Henry Miller, chorister and Henry Minor, organist.

The school has twenty teachers equally divided between males and females; 690 scholars on roll; the average attendance during the last quarter was 257, as usual the girls are greatly in the majority; it is unnecessary for me to say how much need there is of more workers. The whole school studies the International lessons; the older scholars using the "Bible lessons Monthly" and the younger, "Our Children's Picture Lesson" published by the American Baptist Pulication Society. Mr. Manning with more workers will do a great work in South Washington.

From here I visited Zion Wesley Sunday School; learned that the superintendent was absent, quite unwell; found the International lesson being reviewed by the pastor; left with intention of calling again some time soon.

After a short walk I found myself in Israel C. M. E. Church, and in a little room full of sweet-faced little misses, presided over by Mrs. E. Marshall. Three small rooms are occupied by what are called primary classes or scholars, the more advanced remaining in the large room. The officers of the school are Lewis A. Cornish, superintendent; J. R. Frisby, assistant superintendent and chorister; Miss Ella P. Lee, secretary and organist; Miss Miss F. M. Costin, assistant secretary; Mr. J. S. Smothers, treasurer; Mrs. J. Boston, librarian, and Mr. T. Toomes, assistant librarian. There are 20 teachers, 4 male and 16 female; scholars on roll, 253; 115 boys, 138 girls.

The superintendent puts the actual number at 213; there was an average attendance during last quarter of 158. Israel is one of the oldest and best schools in the District. We saw there some workers we have seen for many years, constant and untiring in their work, some of whom have come up from the infant class, and several are teachers in the Public Schools of the District. Any school is blessed to have such a corps of workers!

The school studies the International lessons using the "Journal" and the "Berean lesson leaf." After the teachers are through with the classes they all assemble in the large room where, after singing several pieces (and I had the great pleasure of hearing them sing nicely, two pieces,) the lesson is reviewed by the superintendent. I have ever been proud of the schools of our District and believe I may justly feel so after my vtsits last Sunday. Zson Baptist is not 13 yearr old; Isreal is 47 years, both are to do a great work for the race in the lifting up the little ones preparing them for the battle of life.

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That would crush their mighty land.
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I'm among many who pine, and at last find,
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No. 109. PRIZE PYRAMID.

Across; a letter; a verb; a girl's name; a rival.
Down; a letter; a verb; people; to aid; to fasten; a preposition; a letter.
Champlain, N. Y., LAUREL.

No. 110 PRIZE NUMERICAL.

Whole of 14 letters is a class of birds.
1, 5, 4, 11, 6, 14, an extinct animal.
10, 13, 12, 11, 7, 3, a mineral.
2, 8, 7; 6, 9, 4, a part of music.
A library for first correct solution.
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No. 111. HOUR GLASS.

To out-live.
A bundle of grain.
To examine.
A letter.
A vessel.
A name.
Place.
Centrals: name a state.
Lake Drummond, Va. B. SQUARE.

No. 112. DIAMOND.

A letter.
A diocese.
A vehicle.
To consume.
A letter.
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No. 113. PRIZE CROSS WORD.

In hat, not in cap;
In sap, also in tap;
In wheat, not in corn;
In wept, not in mourn;
In bear, not in see;
In coffee, not in tea;
In ring, not in knock;
In stocking, not in sock;
In poet, also in note.
My whole, is a writer of note.
Detroit, Mich. G. OLDEN.

No. 114. ANAGRAMS.

I tend a cornet.
O, great rim!
I don't mean E.
Boston, Mass. E. X. POSER.

☞Answers next week.

PRIZES.

For first correct answer to No. 109, a magazine; for No. 114, a library. For first complete list, six months subscription to the ADVOCATE; first incomplete, the *Mystic Knight* for one year. For the next best list, one month subscription to the ADVOCATE.

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SOLVERS.

Answers to No. 6 of the ADVOCATE were received from Laughing Jack, Ellie Gable, E. X. Poser, B. Dow, N. Snare, G. Old, I. M. Tricate, Puzz, Ella, Brig, Per, Plexer, LeValient, C. Toit, C. Wells, Buonsegna, Connegando, Mystic, Penn Piquant, Crux, Criticorum, Onion, Unknown, Bennie Buttercup, Haytien, Collar, Jay Byrd, Bertha Bell, Flora Nightengale, Miss Terious and many others.

PRIZE WINNERS.

No complete lists were received. The prize for the best incomplete list was awarded to Laughing Jack. Other prizes were forwarded.

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